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## FENIMORE COOPER PIONEER OF LITERATURE

This is a generation that does not read works either of Cooper or Lytton or of James Fenimore Cooper, and perhaps is not greatly interested in either of them. The recently published correspondence of the latter, how-



full before he died. He did not again imitate any author, and his books are the better for it. He entered a field that then almost unoccupied and since then neglected by men of first-rate ability. He himself was often not and certainly not, but this merely added to his fame. He was not only famous but his novels made him wealthy. The author of 'Leatherstocking' wrote, is said to have enriched him to the extent of \$15,000. He would have earned even more had it not been for his ill-fortune. In the day, English publishers did not often find American authors worth printing, but Cooper was a true gem for them, and most of the English people who read his novels in his life time did so without concurring anything to the author except admiration.

## Many Libel Suits.

Fenimore Cooper spent some years abroad, and though he remained a 100 per cent American, as the phrase now goes, he was not blinded to the effects of his native country when he returned. His first book after he returned, was 'Home, Found.'

It was most highly criticized at home than any of his previous works. One influential newspaper referred to him as the "most worthless of writers." Another newspaper, of which was the New York Courier and Enquirer, and was given damages, the editor was compelled to apologize to Cooper. His naval history brought him more litigation. His account of the Battle of Lake Erie elicited a libel suit from Dean, Duane, of Elliott of grave charges, but it seems to have been to no interest of many that Elliott was not to be charged. Cooper was attacked again, he was brought into the courts and again was vindicated on every point, for he was as careful a historian as he was a writer.

## How He Began.

Authors as a rule, are greater readers than are we. Fenimore was an exception. We are told that he delighted in reading, and read books with enthusiasm.

On one occasion his wife had induced him to read an English novel by Mrs. Orie. He threw it aside in disgust with the story, and said, "I can't stand this story than myself." His wife laughed at the notion from the art of criticism that he had nearly as good an opinion of his own work as of any other.

The feel of the story induced him to try, and he was stimulated in his researches by the great interest he took in the work he produced and his first attempt "preparation." It is generally known that Fenimore Cooper's scenes were laid in England it was supposed to have been written by an English author.

Fenimore had the rare gift of perfect imitation, even though his book was a better one than Mrs. Orie's.

## Well Paid.

So great was it indeed, that he was offered before him a new position, and from that day forth he devoted himself to the production of novels of which he left a rare shelf.

This is a generation that does not read works either of Cooper or Lytton or of James Fenimore Cooper, and perhaps is not greatly interested in either of them. The recently published correspondence of the latter, how-

ever, calls attention to a man who was one of the first to throw lustre upon American literature, and whose name is still a household word.

His Indian stories are classics of their kind, and if they are not the sort of novel that is being written today, they were admirably suited to the best in art when the style of Cooper was the accepted style. The time has already come when few people read Fenimore Cooper, but the author of 'Leatherstocking' and his naval history brought him more litigation. His account of the Battle of Lake Erie elicited a libel suit from

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## Valuable Matter Destroyed.

While people bought his books and praised them, many of his books were still controversial, and he had his savage partisan critics.

Probably he fought as many like battles as any author of his time, and the fact that he won nearly every one is sufficient evidence that he had been fairly used.

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## SANTA CLAUS

BY AUNT PEGGY

Do you know kiddies it was always a mystery to you when and where Santa Claus really resided? Now, and I feel sure it must be mystifying to you? I have all heard lots of stories, that Santa Claus came from Germany; that St. Nicholas came from Holland; that the Santa Claus on the North Pole—some claim that he comes from Sweden; and others from the Far North. I decided that I would get the truth this matter, so by the help of my radio, which has all the latest news, the new wireless telephone, whereby you can talk to anyone on earth, or even on the globe, I got in touch with Mother Hubbard, the Queen of Nursery Rhyme Land, and who is an authority on all things pertaining to the Little Folks.

Mother Hubbard very kindly gave me the following account of whom Santa Claus is and whom you can tell all the Kiddies, this Christmas.

Many, many years ago, the great Northland belonged to the Reindeer people, who were only known by them. They lived a happy and contented life with lots to eat and drink and lots of things in the world to worry about.

The King of the Reindeer land was known as King Reindeer, a great big kindly old deer, who ruled very kindly and lovingly over all.

One day a young reindeer was grazed away from the herd, and when he was a thing on the hoof, cutting him on one of the fir trees, he immediately asked this queer two legged creature what he was doing there, and what right he had to cut down any trees in Reindeer Land.

The two legged creature told him he was behind the King in the reindeer race and was known as an Eskimo, and that he was cutting down the tree to please his little ones at Christmas time.

This made the Reindeer very angry, although it shouldn't have done, and he drove the Eskimo away and refused to let him ride the tree.

When King Reindeer heard of this he felt very cross to think that one of his subjects should drive away any person who was trying to help and please little folks, so he called the young Reindeer to Court and told him that he was so unkind and hard hearted, he would punish him in the following way.

Young Reindeer should be turned into a horse looking like him, being forced to make forage for little children all the year round. On the 5th of each month he must which Christmas Day, he would plant all the toys he had made during the year into a sleigh, and eight of the speediest reindeer would carry him all over the world, where he would deliver toys to all the Kiddies of human kind. His name would be known as Santa Claus, meaning in Reindeer language Little Folks. Santa Claus would have to do this until there were no more fir trees or Christmas trees.

This made Reindeer Santa Claus task hard, but on the 5th of December he started on the sleigh with his toys and delivered his large cargo to all the good little children. When he saw how little he felt very sorry he had been so unkind to the Eskimo, and when he got back to Reindeer Land he had the King Reindeer call him and told him how sad he was that he had driven away the Eskimo, and the great joy he had in so many little children. In his presence, that he would be glad if the King would give him assistance the year to make more toys, that he would have enough to go round to every little girl and boy in the world.

King Reindeer was very happy indeed, and made Reindeer Santa Claus was and so therefore he ordered thousands of his subjects to assist Santa in his great work, of making toys.

This is the reason why nearly all the little children are bright at Christmas and made happy by bright Christmas made by visiting of Santa Claus.

As there are thousands and thousands of fir trees to be still used and still to grow, Santa Claus will no doubt still visit the earth for thousands and thousands of years."

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11 a.m. Matins and Holy Communion.

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## LOCAL & PERSONAL

R. F. Barnes was a visitor to Calgaray this week on business.

Mr. Chappell was a business visitor to Lethbridge on Wednesday.

Harry Burns, of Blairmore was in Macleod on business Tuesday of this week.

Dr. Faneel left for Winnipeg today to spend Christmas Holidays visiting his patients.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Christensen of Taber were in town for a few days this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Stockton.

Albert Gardiner has returned to his home in Lethbridge after spending several months in Champion doing irrigation work.

H. J. Kohn of the Bank of Montreal staff, who has been transferred to Lethbridge, left Monday night for his new position.

The Curling Club is willing to allow the ladies of the Town to form a ladies curling club and use the ice rink after noon. If the ladies could form about 15 members, the club would be a success and lots of enjoyment. If some of the ladies would get together, the

secretary would be glad to give his assistance to start the Club.

J. Swinerton was a business visitor to Edmonton last week.

Hugh Keats is spending a few months visiting his sister in California.

J. E. McNeil, of Standoff, is spending his Christmas holidays visiting friends in Oregon.

Major Fawcett and Superintendent Pearce were in Edmonton last week on town business.

Mrs. J. W. Kipp has returned to her home in Lethbridge after spending a few days in town as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Heup are leaving the end of this week for Calgary, where they will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Goodall for Xmas.

T. S. Brown of Spring Point was a visitor in Macleod this week and returns stock in the hills are doing well this winter with about ten inches of snow.

John Graham is in town visiting his son, Mr. J. J. Graham over the Xmas holidays. Mr. Graham is a member of the R. C. C. M. P. stationed at Wimipeg.

Murphy Brothers of Ewline report that stock are going into the winter in good shape and with good pastures and strawstacks they ought to come through well.

Jerry White, who has been working at the Lethbridge Northern all year, is Saturday morning for California, where he will be working for a few months.

Mr. Little and Mr. Bunting returned to their home in Calgary and since then he has suffered severely for several weeks, but is now recovering from the malady.

Rebekah Chapter No. 7 R.A.M. will hold the installation of Officers, Thursday, Jan. 22. The meeting is called for 7:30 and at the close of the installation a banquet will be served. All members of the Chapter are especially invited to attend on time. All Masons are invited to attend the concert and banquet. 9. p. m. Visiting Brothers cordially welcomed.

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